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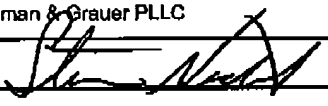
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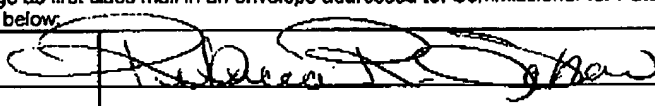
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Todd K. Whitehurst et al.

Application No. 10/731,551

Filed: December 8, 2003

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Neurostimulator for Intercostal
Nerve Stimulation as a Therapy
for Angina Pectoris

Group Art Unit: 3762

Examiner: EVANISKO, George Robert

RESPONSE

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On September 18, 2006, the Examiner issued a paper styled "Request for Information" (the "Request") in the above-identified patent application. The following is a full and timely response to that "Request."